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1. FOREIGN MINISTRY PROTOCOL OFFICER TELEPHONED THIS MORNING TO ASSURE EMBASSY ALL SENIOR GRZ OFFICIALS WITH WHOM CODEL HAS REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED. MOST HAVE PROMISED TO LET MINISTRY KNOW. PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S PRIVATE SECRETARY, HOWEVER, TOLD PROTOCOL THAT PRESIDENT, WHO NOW TOURING WESTERN PROVINCE, NOT EXPECTED RETURN UNTIL AUG 23 OR 24 AND WILL HAVE VERY CROWDED SCHEDULE UPON HIS RETURN. PRIVATE SECRETARY COULD NOT PROMISE APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT WOULD BE POSSIBLE. WE HAVE URGED PROTOCOL TO KEEP TRYING.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT YESTERDAY THAT SMITH AND ANC LEADERS WILL MEET AT VICTORIA FALLS O/A AUG 25 MEANS MOST RHODESIAN NATIONALISTS AS WELL AS ZAMBIANS INVOLVED IN NEGOTIATIONS SUCH AS MARK CHONA LIKELY ALSO BE UNAVAILABLE DURING CODEL VISIT. MUZOREWA CURRENTLY IN LUSAKA.

3. WE WILL CONTINUE MONITOR APPOINTMENTS SITUATION CLOSELY AND ADVISE CODEL WHETHER MEANINGFUL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS POSSIBLE IN LUSAKA DURING AUG 23-26 TIME FRAME.
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